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REMARKS

Claims 1, 14, 16, 25, and 28 have been amended. Support for the amendments can be found in the claims and the specification, for example, in original Claims 1, 14, 16, 25, and 28. No new matter has been added by these amendments. Applicant notes that this amendment is due to the timing and nature of the present Election, and not made due to issues of patentability.

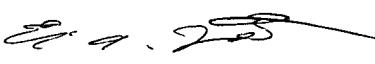
Applicant has elected Specie 6, represented by Figure 13. Applicant submits that the above Claims 1, 3-8, 10-12, 14-30, and 32 are readable thereon. Applicant notes that the configuration of the telescoping arms, *e.g.*, the "M configuration" shown in Figure 13, serves to provide additional support and force against a lumen; thus, this configuration provides a fixation capability to the attachment device. The fixation component is in this combination of the telescoping arms. Applicant notes that this aspect of the embodiment in Figure 13 is explicitly claimed in original Claims 3, 24, and 29.

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